

June 2023 Newsletter St. Mark Lutheran Church



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From the Pastor



Let me start with a question. Can you guess what animal has strong feet, but can't walk, has a huge heart, a tongue long enough to wrap around its head, and weighs about as much as a penny? Did you guess "a hummingbird"? Hummingbirds are part of God's wonderful creation. God gave a hummingbird wings that can move fifty times a second and allow it to travel 20 to 30 MPH. God was so pleased with this creation that He made more than 360 species that we know of. God loves to create, and He loves His creation.

If He cares so much about hummingbirds, think how much He cares about you! Moses records in Genesis that human life is the highest form in all creation. Just think of all the work God put into you to make you just the way He wanted.

Life has its ups and downs, and we might on occasion wonder how important we are to God. As you pause to enjoy God's creation this summer, remember that He cares about hummingbirds, so be assured He cares much more about you.





Business Old & New



HOLY COMMUNION

If you need to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew, please let an usher know. Pastor will be happy to accommodate you.

AFTER SERVICE FELLOWSHIP

We will be having fellowship after each service all year. Please check the sign-up board in the fellowship hall for available dates that you or you and a friend would be willing to provide and serve treats. Coffee, juice and milk will be provided along with paper plates, napkins and cups. If you have any questions call Gary & Heidi Buntrock at 715-282-2127.

.ST. MARK QUILTERS

The quilters are taking a summer break. They will resume again in September. Ladies, if you enjoy sewing, come and join us.

Car Show

You can tell that summer has hit the Northwoods when you see all of the construction going on. Can they come up with anymore detours??? Because of the construction the Art in the Park/Car Show has changed up a bit this year. The craft show will be at Hodag Park and the Car Show will be on Brown Street downtown. We will be doing our usual thing of handing out snow cones and bags of popcorn at the Car Show, We could sure use some extra help this year. More hands are definitely needed and we only ask for a little of your time and believe me, that time flies by. Please consider helping on June 10th for the Car Show. If you are interested, please sign in the fellowship hall.

LADIES LUNCHEON

If you haven't already done so, be sure to mark your calendar for Tuesday, June 6th for the Ladies' Prayer Lunch. We will be meeting at noon at the Rhinelander Family restaurant (the old Wolf's restaurant). All ladies are welcome to join us. We meet on the first Tuesday every month. See you there! If you have any questions you may call the church office at 715 -362-2470.

LWML

As I shared with you in the May newsletter, the International Lutheran Women's Missionary League convention will be held June 22-25 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. How exciting it always is, and nice to be close to home this year.

The theme for this year's convention is Celebrate the Lord of the Nations and the theme Bible verse is Psalm 33:12-13.

Scripture Verse: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! The Lord looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man (Psalm 33:12–13).

The delegates have already voted on new mission projects for us to donate our Mites to and the results will be revealed at the convention. All people are invited to attend the opening communion service on Thursday, June 22. This is always a highlight for me.

Please pray with me for safe travels for the thousands of presenters and attendees coming from all over the world. If you wish to make a donation to the LWML, even in our church, please speak to me about it. It's a blessing that God loves.

We will not have our regular meeting on the second Tuesday.



Past Car Shows





Putting our *best face* out into the community can be fun.

We also let the community know that we are here and that all are welcome to join us here in worship.

Fun and spreading the Word, what could be more exciting?



2023 BUDGET VS ACTUAL



